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Second Man Charged with Murder for Hawthorne Midday Street Race Crash

A 40-year-old man is facing a murder charge today for his role in an illegal street race last week, which ended with a crash that killed an innocent driver, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Eugene Hanrahan said Anthony Leon Holley (dob 8/29/75) of Lynwood faces one count each of murder, gross vehicular manslaughter and engaging in a speed contest on a highway causing injury in case SA092044.

One felony count of engaging in a speed contest on a highway causing injury also was filed today against Alfredo Perez Davila, 23, of Hawthorne. Davila was charged on Jan. 19 with one count each of murder and gross vehicular manslaughter.

Arraignment for Holley is scheduled today in Department W30 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch. Davila is scheduled for a preliminary hearing and arraignment on the new charge on Feb. 8 in Department W31 of the Airport courthouse.

The complaint charges Holley and Davila with racing their cars on Crenshaw Boulevard just before 1 p.m. on Jan. 15. Holley allegedly drove a Chevy Camaro and Davila drove a Chevy Cobalt, the prosecutor said.

When both vehicles were near 135th Street, Davila allegedly lost control of his vehicle, causing it to fly into the roof of a Honda CRV traveling on the opposite direction, the prosecutor added. Benjamin Golbin, 36, the driver of that Honda, died as a result of the crash.

If convicted as charged, both defendants face a possible maximum sentence of 15 years to life in state prison.

Bail for Holley and Davila is \$1 million.

The case remains under investigation by the Hawthorne Police Department.

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